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JUN 30 2006

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

The Honorable Ron Gonzales
Mayor, City of San Jose
200 East Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Case No.: 06-09-B378P
Community Name: City of San Jose, CA
Community No.: 060349
Effective Date of
This Revision: **OCT 25 2006**

Dear Mayor Gonzales:

The Flood Insurance Study report and Flood Insurance Rate Map for your community have been revised by this Letter of Map Revision (LOMR). Please use the enclosed annotated map panel(s) revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals issued in your community.

Additional documents are enclosed which provide information regarding this LOMR. Please see the List of Enclosures below to determine which documents are included. Other attachments specific to this request may be included as referenced in the Determination Document. If you have any questions regarding floodplain management regulations for your community or the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) in general, please contact the Consultation Coordination Officer for your community. If you have any technical questions regarding this LOMR, please contact the Director, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Division of the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in Oakland, California, at (510) 627-7175, or the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP). Additional information about the NFIP is available on our website at <http://www.fema.gov/nfip>.

Sincerely,

Michael B. Godesky, Project Engineer
Engineering Management Section
Mitigation Division

For: William R. Blanton Jr., CFM, Acting Chief
Engineering Management Section
Mitigation Division

List of Enclosures:

Letter of Map Revision Determination Document
Annotated Flood Insurance Rate Map

cc: (See attached list.)

Courtesy Copies List – City of San Jose

The Honorable Liz Kniss
Chair, Santa Clara County
Board of Supervisors

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Mayor, City of Santa Clara

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City of San Jose

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Santa Clara County

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LETTER OF MAP REVISION
DETERMINATION DOCUMENT (CONTINUED)

OTHER COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY THIS REVISION

CID Number: 060337 **Name:** Santa Clara County, California

AFFECTED MAP PANELS			AFFECTED PORTIONS OF THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT
TYPE: FIRM	NO.: 060337 0070 F	DATE: December 16, 1988	NO REVISION TO THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT
TYPE: FIRM	NO.: 060337 0235 E	DATE: December 16, 1988	

CID Number: 060350 **Name:** City of Santa Clara, California

AFFECTED MAP PANELS			AFFECTED PORTIONS OF THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT
TYPE: FIRM	NO.: 060350 0001 D	DATE: January 20, 1999	NO REVISION TO THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT
TYPE: FIRM	NO.: 060350 0003 D	DATE: January 20, 1999	
TYPE: FIRM	NO.: 060350 0005 D	DATE: January 20, 1999	

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMR Depot, 3601 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. Additional Information about the NFIP is available on our website at <http://www.fema.gov/nfip>.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

APPLICABLE NFIP REGULATIONS/COMMUNITY OBLIGATION

We have made this determination pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) and in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65. Pursuant to Section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, communities participating in the NFIP are required to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed NFIP criteria. These criteria, including adoption of the FIS report and FIRM, and the modifications made by this LOMR, are the minimum requirements for continued NFIP participation and do not supersede more stringent State/Commonwealth or local requirements to which the regulations apply.

COMMUNITY REMINDERS

We based this determination on the 1-percent-annual-chance flood discharges computed in the FIS for your community without considering subsequent changes in watershed characteristics that could increase flood discharges. Future development of projects upstream could cause increased flood discharges, which could cause increased flood hazards. A comprehensive restudy of your community's flood hazards would consider the cumulative effects of development on flood discharges subsequent to the publication of the FIS report for your community and could, therefore, establish greater flood hazards in this area.

Your community must regulate all proposed floodplain development and ensure that permits required by Federal and/or State/Commonwealth law have been obtained. State/Commonwealth or community officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction or may limit development in floodplain areas. If your State/Commonwealth or community has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, those criteria take precedence over the minimum NFIP requirements.

We will not print and distribute this LOMR to primary users, such as local insurance agents or mortgage lenders; instead, the community will serve as a repository for the new data. We encourage you to disseminate the information in this LOMR by preparing a news release for publication in your community's newspaper that describes the revision and explains how your community will provide the data and help interpret the NFIP maps. In that way, interested persons, such as property owners, insurance agents, and mortgage lenders, can benefit from the information.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael B. Godesky".

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

We have designated a Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) to assist your community. The CCO will be the primary liaison between your community and FEMA. For information regarding your CCO, please contact:

Ms. Sally M. Ziolkowski
Director, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Division
Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region IX
1111 Broadway Street, Suite 1200
Oakland, CA 94607-4052
(510) 627-7175

STATUS OF THE COMMUNITY NFIP MAPS

We are processing a revised FIRM and FIS report for Santa Clara County in our countywide format; therefore, we will not physically revise and republish the FIRM and FIS report for your community to incorporate the modifications made by this LOMR at this time. Preliminary copies of the countywide FIRM and FIS report, which present information from the effective FIRMs and FIS reports for your community and other incorporated communities in Santa Clara County, were submitted to your community for review on September 30, 2005. We will incorporate the modifications made by this LOMR into the countywide FIRM and FIS report before they become effective.

As part of this revision, the format of the map panels has changed. Previously, flood-hazard information was shown on both the Flood Insurance Rate Map and Flood Boundary and Floodway Map. In the new format, all base flood elevations, cross sections, zone designations, and floodplain and floodway boundary delineations are shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Map have been eliminated. Some of the flood insurance zone designations were changed to reflect the new format. Areas previously shown as numbered Zone A were changed to Zone AE. Areas previously shown as Zone B were changed to Zone X (shaded). Areas previously shown as Zone C were changed to Zone X (unshaded).

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF REVISION

Within 90 days of the second publication in the local newspaper, a citizen may request that we reconsider this determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on scientific or technical data. Therefore, this letter will be effective only after the 90-day appeal period has elapsed and we have resolved any appeals that we receive during this appeal period. Until this LOMR is effective, the revised BFEs presented in this LOMR may be changed.

A notice of changes will be published in the *Federal Register*. This information also will be published in your local newspaper on or about the dates listed below.

LOCAL NEWSPAPER

Name: *San Jose Mercury News*

Dates: 07/19/2006 07/26/2006

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

FLOODING SOURCE	LOCATION OF REFERENCED ELEVATION	BFE (FEET NGVD)		MAP PANEL NUMBER(S)
		EFFECTIVE	REVISED	
Guadalupe River	Just upstream of State Route 237	None	2	060349 0008 F
	Just upstream of Southern Pacific Railroad	None	75	060349 0025 D

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